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## Victoria Boy Died Saturday After Being Kicked By Mule

James Harvey Smith, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Smith, of Victoria, died at the family residence last Saturday a few minutes after being kicked by a mule.

It was stated that the youngster followed an older brother to the lot or barn to feed the mule. When the feed was thrown into the trough the mule shied away, kicking up its heels and striking the boy in the body. He died in about forty-five minutes.

The family and friends were deeply shocked at the untimely passing of the boy. He was nearing his eighth birthday, having been born on November 5, 1935.

Surviving besides the parents are two sisters, Brunese and Jean Ellen Smith. Funeral services were held Monday morning at 11:00 o'clock at New Hope Church with Rev. Bennie Griswold and Rev. Ziglar performing the rites. Burial followed in the church cemetery. Pallbearers were: Coot Maddox, Cordell Pearce, Artis Smith and Gaston Smith. Bonneau-Jeter had charge of arrangements.

## W. M. U. AND YOUNG PEOPLE TO MEET

The young people's rally of the Baptist Association will be held in Enterprise on Wednesday, July 7. The program will be concluded by noon, according to announcement.

The W. M. U. will hold its quarterly meeting on the same day, with program in the afternoon. All counselors and officers of both groups are urged to be present at the meetings.

## PROMOTED TO CAPTAIN

C. M. Stokes, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Stokes, of Elba, who has been in overseas service for several months, was promoted from Lieutenant to Captain about two months ago, and is now in command of Hdq. & Hdq. Company. He is with an engineer regiment in the Southwest Pacific. Friends will be glad to learn of his promotion.

Mrs. Roberta Childs, who was called to Ononta last week on account of the illness of her mother, has returned to Elba. Friends will be glad to know that her mother is improved. Jimmy Childs who has been in Ononta for several weeks, returned with his mother.

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## ELBA, SLOCOMB, SELMA FLIERS GIVEN HONORS

Washington, June 25—The intense air action that the Eighth Air Force is carrying on against Germany and German-occupied territory in Europe is reflected in the largest list of decorations ever made in one announcement from any theater by the U. S. Army Air Forces, the War Department announced today. The exploits recognized in the awards cover a period of several months.

The decorations, numbering more than 1,000 and going to men residing in every state in the Union and the District of Columbia, including the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal, and the oak leaf cluster to the Air Medal.

They included the following from Alabama:

Distinguished Flying Cross: Joe F. Ward, technical sergeant, Slocumb. Second oak leaf cluster to Air Medal: George J. Reuter, first lieutenant, Selma. First oak leaf cluster to Air Medal: Robert G. Lee, technical sergeant, Elba; Joe F. Ward, technical sergeant, Slocumb; Frank E. Cross, staff sergeant, Red Level. Air Medal: Hal T. Walker, second lieutenant, of Montgomery.

## LAMAR VAUGHAN NOW 2ND CLASS DIESELMAN

Bluejacket Milton Lamar Vaughan, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Vaughan, Elba, Ala., has graduated from the Naval Training School for Dieselmans located on the campus of the University of Missouri at Columbia, Mo. He was advanced in rating to a fireman, second class upon graduating.

The course just completed included instruction in machine tools, internal combustion engines, pressure and air systems, and operation and maintenance of engine auxiliaries. Soon he will be assigned to active duty aboard a warship in the U. S. fleet, or at a naval shore station.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Clark, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Rainer, Mrs. Prude Crook, Mrs. J. H. Armor and Mr. and Mrs. George Morrow and Mr. Seay, of Graceville, Fla., were among those attending the funeral of Mr. Osborne Rainer in Montgomery Monday afternoon.

Mrs. J. M. Farris and son, Harold, of Newcastle, Pa., are spending some time with her mother, Mrs. E. E. Vaughan, Miss Carrie Vaughan and other relatives in Elba.

## MULE AND HOG KILLED BY LIGHTNING MONDAY

Mr. Escar Kelley, who resides Northwest of Elba, had the misfortune of losing a fine mule and a hog Monday afternoon when the animals were struck by lightning. The barn was also set afire by the bolt, but by moving a quantity of hay, the fire was extinguished.

It will be remembered that Mr. Kelley's son was struck by lightning two weeks ago. His daughter-in-law was also severely shocked.

Mr. Ben F. Conner's many friends will be sorry to learn that it has become necessary to go to Gibson's hospital in Enterprise for treatment for a complication of ailments. He anticipates being confined to the hospital for about three weeks. His place of business on the south side will be closed during his absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Vaughan spent Sunday in Montgomery. Their daughters, Carolyn and Martha, who had been visiting relatives, returned home with them.

## Osborne S. Rainer, Former Elba Resident, Dies In His Sleep

Montgomery, June 28—Osborne Simms Rainer, 46, president of Rainer Packing Company, died in his sleep at his home, 200 Magnolia Curve, Saturday night.

Mr. Rainer was born in Troy and for many years made his home in Elba, where he was engaged in the banking, hardware and lumber business. He moved to Montgomery 16 years ago. He was a member of the Trinity Presbyterian Church, Beauvoir Country Club and the Masonic order.

Surviving are his widow; one daughter, Miss Isabel Rainer, both of Montgomery; two brothers, W. F. Rainer, Birmingham, and L. Comdr. Gordon B. Rainer, U. S. Navy; four sisters, Mrs. Bessie Ford, Dothan; Mrs. V. J. Elmore, Birmingham; Mrs. Gussie Higgins, Jackson, Miss.; and Mrs. J. W. Atkinson, Brewton.

## PASTOR BARKER ANNOUNCES REVIVALS

The revival meeting will begin at Whitewater Baptist church Sunday, July 4, running through the following Friday night, with two services daily, beginning at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. We will also begin our revival at Mt. Gilead on the second Sunday and run through the following Friday night. Two services daily, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

On the 4th Sunday in July we begin our revival at Damascus and will run through the following Friday night. Two services daily, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

On the first Sunday night in August the revival meeting will begin at Zion Chapel and run through the following Friday night, with two services daily, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Services at each of these churches will be held on old time, and 30 minutes will be consumed in prayer and song service, then preaching. The presence of every one within reach of these churches will be highly appreciated.

I am pastor of all these churches and will endeavor to do the preaching through all of these meetings, with another week of evangelistic services in another county. Pray for us.

A. W. Barker

## SOLDIER PROMOTED

With Fifth Army, North Africa—Sgt. Jacob J. Cook, son of Mr. E. H. Cook, Rt. 2, Elba, Ala., has been promoted to staff sergeant and assigned as a platoon leader in the armored unit of the U. S. Fifth Army with which he is now serving in North Africa.

Mr. D. J. Brooks, who recently underwent an operation at Hubbard's hospital in Montgomery, returned to his home here last Friday. Friends will be glad to know that he is at home, and trust that he may soon be much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Whitman and son, Robert Lassiter, spent the week-end in Montgomery with relatives.

## WELFARE DEPARTMENT TO AID DRAFT BOARDS

In line with the policy of the State Selective Service System to prevent induction of men who may later become mental or nervous "misfits" in the Army, the Coffee County Department of Public Welfare has been asked to cooperate with local selective service boards in furnishing to them any confidential information regarding potential registrants which may indicate mental, physical or emotional problems of any kind, Mrs. Grace Ebert, Director, said today.

Procedures have been developed whereby, beginning July 1, 1943, local boards will furnish to county departments of public welfare lists of all registrants tentatively classified as I-A. The public welfare department will clear with the American Red Cross for any material in their files regarding these registrants, and will forward all available information to the Medical Division of the State Selective Service System to be used confidentially by physicians and psychiatrists at induction centers.

In instructions sent out recently to all local draft boards, examining physicians, and medical advisory boards, the State Selective Service System stated: We want to stop the induction of the social misfits and inadequates. We cannot stop all of them from joining the various components of the Armed Forces, but we can stop drafting them."

This new responsibility in assisting in "screening" inductees is the second cooperative service undertaken by the Department of Public Welfare in regard to selective service boards. Since November, 1940, the Coffee County Public Welfare Department has worked closely with local boards in making investigations of doubtful cases of dependency. In the past, the department has been the public welfare agency, Miss Loula Dunn, State Commissioner of Public Welfare, wrote Lt. Col. Morgan F. Morgan, Jr., Acting Director of the State Selective Service System: "As I have indicated to you previously, this department, at all times stands ready to provide to your agency any service which we are equipped to render. While I am sure you recognize that we do not have on the staffs of our county departments of public welfare psychiatric social workers, the county department will, upon request of the local draft boards, be pleased to furnish the Selective Service Headquarters with pertinent factual data in regard to physical and mental condition of registrants known to the agency."

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Mr. Sam E. Sawyer, chairman for Elba, presided at the meeting. After invocation by Rev. O. M. Fox and group singing, the audience heard two solos from Mr. E. B. Lytle, of Camp Rucker. Later two solo numbers were rendered by Pic. Eskil Brevitz, also of Camp Rucker. Mrs. H. T. Grace, of Enterprise, was accompanist for these singers. A patriotic song composed by Chester Bryant, son of Mrs. T. A. Bryant, of Elba, was sung by a trio of Elba girls.

Major Morgan F. Morgan, Jr., of Camp Rucker, spoke briefly on ways to help boost soldier morale, and urged civilian compliance with all rules laid down in defense areas. Mr. John Gallagher, Field Director, American Red Cross, gave a brief summary of activities of the organization in the present emergency.

Miss Susan Hughes, Field Representative of ARC for this area, spoke briefly, calling attention to the fact that the West Coffee was far short in its War Fund Campaign, and called on R. C. Bryan, Acting Chairman, for a statement of war fund contributions by communities. After some discussion, a suggestion was made that the campaign be continued until the entire quota for Elba area is raised. Elba Lions Club will give further assistance in the campaign.

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On Wednesday afternoon, June 16, at four o'clock, the funeral of Mrs. Noah J. Prestwood, lovingly known as "Mama Delia," was held from her home at Ryeon, near Brundidge and Tennille, she having passed away at a Dothan hospital Tuesday morning at 6:10 o'clock.

It seemed fitting and natural for the great gathering of friends of the Prestwood family to have assembled at Mrs. Prestwood's own home to pay their last tribute of respect and love to her. They wept when they recalled the many happy occasions when her doors had been so hospitably thrown open to them—times when she herself had graciously bade them welcome.

Mrs. Prestwood and her husband have been very influential in the upbuilding of South-east Alabama. Last December they celebrated their golden wedding anniversary to the delight of many of their friends and relatives who were present. Their journey through life, though journey they went, hand in hand, overcoming this and that obstacle, until they have helped make the world a better place for others to live in.

Just as Mrs. Prestwood's own flower garden that she received her tenderest care, was in full bloom, so was her home bedecked with flowers as her body lay in state. If she could have opened her eyes from sleep and glimpsed the loveliness of her home, she would have smiled a smile of gratitude and closed them again in contentment of her heavenly abode.

A few minutes before 4 o'clock, Mrs. Prestwood's body was brought to her front porch, her favorite summer afternoon recess, with her family and friends for respite. The gentle breeze that whispered through the leaves seemed God's way of caressing the sad faces of the bereaved. Chairs were arranged in the spacious way where friends, both white and colored, were gathered to hear the funeral rites.

Mr. and Mrs. Prestwood united with the Primitive Baptist Church in their early married life, and have been very devoted members of that church throughout their fifty years of life together. Lovely old Primitive Baptist hymns were sung. The Reverend Bro. Jim Richards, a beloved Primitive Baptist minister, had charge of the funeral services, assisted by the Reverend Mr. R. T. McLeod and the Reverend Dr. J. O. Grogan, pastors of the Missionary Baptist and Methodist Churches of Brundidge.

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## CAMPAIGN AGAINST VENEREAL DISEASES

Can and do local government agencies accept their necessary responsibility in the control of anti-social persons and businesses which promote social contacts and thereby spread venereal diseases among members of the armed forces and civilian population? is the question being studied in a series of health conferences over the state.

A district conference of the nature was held in Dothan Monday when the health officers from Coffee, Geneva, Houston and Dale Counties met with Dr. H. Y. Smith of Montgomery, Director of Venereal Disease Control of the State Department of Health.

At the Monday conference health officers of the district made report as to the result of this campaign which was launched by 100 physicians at a meeting held in Montgomery last February. Since that date local governments in counties serving defense areas have attempted to suppress the activities of certain agencies through which contamination is greatly spread: certain taxi-cab drivers, hotel employees, bootleggers, juke joint employees, etc.

After the district conferences have been concluded, a state conference will be called in Montgomery July 9, when county, state and federal health officers will meet with medical officers of the Army, Navy and Coast Guard in an effort to stamp out this greatest of health menaces to the war effort.

Mr. T. M. Stroud, who has been working near Orlando, Fla., for some time, is visiting his family and friends here.

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**FOR SALE**—Cook stove, one-man 4-ft. saw, 2 scooters, shovels, lock bolt. See C. B. McDowell at Clippert office.

**FOR SALE**—Complete beauty shop equipment; all in good condition. Call or write Mrs. Nell B. Cooper, Elba, Ala.

### NOTICE

On account of having to go to the hospital, my place of business will be closed for several weeks. I thank my friends and customers for their past patronage and trust they will see fit to continue their patronage when my place is reopened upon my return.

Ben F. Conner.

Messrs J. D. Smith and C. E. Dorsey attended the cattle sale in Montgomery last week. Mr. Smith said that cattle sold at such high prices they did not make any purchases. He stated, however, that Mr. Dorsey purchased an ultra-bred Guernsey milk cow from a breeder near Ozark, similar to the one purchased by Dr. C. P. Hayes several weeks ago. Each of these cows cost over \$200 and should mean a lot toward improving the quality of dairy stock in this community.

Mrs. Vallie Vaughan, of Montgomery, is spending this week in Elba with relatives.

## MISS WHITMAN AND MR. BAXLEY ARE WED-

Simplicity and charm, as well as unusual interest, marked the marriage of Miss Gladys Whitman to Mr. James Russell Baxley, which was an event of June 23 and solemnized at six o'clock at Elba Baptist Church.

Rev. Charles W. Barnes, of Tuscaloosa, performed the double ring service in the presence of an assemblage of relatives, friends and a number of out-of-town guests.

The interior of the church was simply but beautifully decorated. Empire stands filled with massive clusters of white crepe myrtle on a background of greenery and candle light formed the wedding tableau.

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Prior to the ceremony a program of nuptial music was presented by Miss Mattie Jorie Brunson, pianist; Miss Faye Blake, of Birmingham, vocalist; Mrs. J. A. Canley, pianist; Miss Black sang "Because" (d'Hardelot); Mrs. Canley played "Trauerlied" (Schumann) and Miss Brunson played "Venetian Love Song" and "To A Wild Rose" (McDowell). For the entrance of the bride, the bridegroom's wedding march was used and Mendelssohn's march as recessional.

W. T. Whitman, Jr., brother of the bride, Mr. Jake Bonneau, Mr. Getheral Pinckard and Mr. Sammie Rowe, were included in the attractive group of bridesmaids were, Miss Elizabeth Taylor, of Union Springs, Mabel West, of Talladega, Ida Isbell, Whitman, Ozark, and Marjorie Baxley, sister of the groom, of Tuscaloosa. They wore floor length, summer identical in design of powder blue bloused organdy, fashioned with fitted bodice and heart neck line. Shirts were used on the brief sleeves. They carried small hand bouquets of summer flowers. To complete their costume they wore small veils of French maline. The groom, Mr. James Russell Baxley, was dressed in a tuxedo, the bride, Miss Gladys Whitman, in a white gown with a train. The bride's bouquet was of pink roses and blue delphiniums. Little Miss Judy Pinckard, niece of the bride, was flower girl and was adorned in a dress of white organdy with lace trim. She carried a French basket of white rose petals.

Master Tommy Whitman, nephew of the bride, wearing a white gabardine suit, acted as ring bearer. He carried the rings on a white satin pillow.

The lovely bride entered on the arm of her father, Mr. W. T. Whitman, by whom she was given in marriage. They were met at the altar by the groom and his best man, Robert Lasseter Whitman, brother of the bride. The striking blond beauty of the bride was enhanced by her wedding gown of white, fashioned along closely fitting lines with sweetheart neckline and long sleeves pointed over the wrists. The ruffled skirt formed a graceful train. Her fingertip veil of illusion fell from a coronet of seed pearls. She carried a white prayer book covered with roses, and showered with jasmine and white satin ribbon.

The bride is the younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Whitman and is a young lady of many charms. She possesses an unusually attractive personality and is popular in the social and religious activities of our city. She graduated from Elba High School, and is a recent graduate of Alabama College, Montevallo, where she majored in sociology. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Baxley, of Tuscaloosa, and is a young man of splendid traits of

## THE ELBA CLIPPER

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(Opp Weekly News)

Mrs. Mary L. Parrish, 69, was instantly killed Friday morning, June 18, when the wagon in which she was riding with several others, plunged from Pea River bridge, two and a half miles east of Kinston.

While crossing the bridge the mules became frightened and started backing, pushing the back wheels of the wagon over the embankment and spilling the occupants to the ground, some twenty feet below.

The mules held the wagon in that position for a few moments but soon gave way to the weight of the wagon and went plunging down themselves upon the already injured victims below. One of the mules fell on Mrs. Parrish, crushing her to death.

Others injured were: Eli Hattaway, who sustained a fractured ankle, and Jim Hattaway, who suffered a broken wrist.

Rainer's ambulance responded to a call immediately following the accident and rushed the injured to nearby physicians.

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Parrish Sunday at 2 p. m. at the church with Rev. B. L. Armstrong officiating.

Survivors are: a daughter, Mrs. M. L. Hattaway, Ben, two sons, J. C. Parrish and C. T. Parrish, Opp; four sisters, Mrs. Lizzie Moulton, Opp; Mrs. Sallie Caley, Opp; Rt. 3; Mrs. Rena Blair, Demopolis; Mrs. Evelee Nelson, Andalusia; five brothers, Jesse Moulton, Samson; Harlan Moulton, Opp; Rt. 3; Horace Moulton, Brantley; Dee Moulton, Michigan; and Julian Moulton, Winter Garden, Fla.

The deceased was a member of the Baptist Church, near Bonifay, Fla.

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The receiving line guests were ushered to the dining room where they were served punch, sandwiches and cake, by Miss Patsy Pinckard, Virginia Ruth James, of Birmingham, Sara Young, Martha Frances Dowling and Mrs. Milton Edmondson. The table was spread with lace and held a central ornament of the bride and groom. The three-tiered wedding cake was beautifully embellished in spun sugar and topped by a miniature bride and groom.

Late in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Baxley left for Alexandria, Va., where they will reside. For traveling Mrs. Baxley wore a light blue Salina coat suit, and a white chiffon harmonizing accessories.

Out-of-town guests attending the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Baxley, Miss Marjorie Baxley, Mrs. A. W. Stanforth, Tuscaloosa; Mrs. A. G. Shirey and daughters, Walter Dean, Fay and Kay, Hayti, Missouri; R. E. James and Miss Virginia Ruth James, Fairfield; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Whitman, Samson; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Whitman and children, Maragene and Bud; Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Whitman, Chiple, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Zorn, Florida; Miss Agnes Pinckard, of Ozark.

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## BRIDAL PARTY IS ENTERTAINED—

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whitman, Jr., entertained an after-rehearsal party at their home on Buford Street, honoring Miss Gladys Whitman, Mr. Russell Baxley and members of their wedding party. Family members and a few close friends were additional guests.

A color theme of pink and green was emphasized throughout the entertaining rooms. The tea table was lace-covered and appointed in crystal. Pink rose buds and rosy room petunias filled the central bowl and ivory tapers in crystal holders marked the table corners.

Punch, sandwiches, cookies and candy were served by Misses Gladys Clark, Sara Young, Olive Ray Kendrick and Mrs. Milton Edmondson.

John Bullard, son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Bullard, of Elba, who was recently inducted into the Army, is now assigned to training duty at Fort Bragg, N. C.

Ensign Lester Brunson, who was listed to Pensacola recently to enter Naval service, has been assigned to duty at Key West, Fla.

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## Thursday, July 1, 1943

## SINGING AT BLUFF SPRINGS ON JULY 4

There will be an all-day singing at Bluff Springs Church on the first Sunday in July, July 4th, and all singers are cordially invited to attend.

G. P. Miles.

Sgt. James W. Goodson has returned to Florida after a two-weeks visit with his mother, Mrs. Ed Goodson, of New Brockton, Rt. 1.

Miss Peggy Blue is spending several days with relatives in Bessemer.

Mrs. L. F. Inman is spending time in Elba with her mother, Mrs. Nell B. Cooper. Mr. Inman is now in Bainbridge, Ga., on Army assignment.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Marley, of Dothan, was a business visitor to Elba Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Whitman, Jr., and children were guests of Montgomery relatives during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Mitchell returned to Montgomery Tuesday after visiting Elba relatives over the week-end.

Mr. S. A. Bryan, former Elba resident, but now of Columbus, Ga., visited recently here during the past week-end.

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## Canning Season Is Now In Full Swing In Homes And Clubs

Rural homes and community clubs in Coffee County are bee hives of activity these days as the canning season is in full swing.

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After taking his training at Fort Belvoir, Va., and Camp Claiborne, La., he sailed from New York, November 1, 1942, and is somewhere in Iran now.

Roger Britt writes home often. He says that in Iran the mercury sometimes goes as high as 125 degrees. In a recent letter he wrote that he had been to see the tomb of Daniel.

The second son, Mess Sergeant Robert Leon Britt, a Marine, is in foreign service now. He enlisted in the Marine Corps in December, 1939, at the age of 21.

After taking his boot training at San Diego, California, he was transferred to Quantico, Va. He then went to Cuba where he remained six months. Upon returning to the United States he was stationed at New River, N. C.

His ship sailed for overseas duty May 16, 1942, and he saw action on Guadalcanal. In his last letter home he did not say where he was, but he said he was well and safe.

The third son, Second Lieutenant Thomas W. Britt, is taking a four-week course at Fort Bragg, N. C.

Thomas Britt joined the National Guard in 1939. He graduated from Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill, Okla., May 27, 1943, a few days after his twenty-first birthday. After completing his training he was assigned to his parents, he left for Fort Bragg on June 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Perdue, of Montgomery, are visiting his mother, Mrs. W. B. Perdue. Mr. Perdue is recuperating from an operation which he recently underwent in a Montgomery hospital.

Mr. Frank Creager of St. Louis, Mo., is visiting relatives in Elba and vicinity.

PROMOTED TO CORPL. Keesler Field, Miss. July 1.—Pfc. Joe Johnson, son of Mrs. Idell Johnson, New Brockton, Ala., was promoted this week to the grade of Corporal.

He is stationed at Keesler Field, Miss., a unit of the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command, where thousands of soldiers are training to become expert airplane mechanics for huge B-24 Liberator Bombers.

Mr. Frank Creager of St. Louis, Mo., is visiting relatives in Elba and vicinity.

HOUSEWIVES COMPLAIN

During the past few days since ceiling prices were announced for this section of the State by OPA officials, quite a bit of complaint has been heard from housewives in Elba who state that many food stores are not conforming to prices fixed by OPA.

In fact, they state no ceiling price sheets have been posted in many places of business, and that prices are being charged on many commodities. It might be well for merchants who sell commodities on which a ceiling has been fixed to adjust their prices to that level.

CEMETERY WORKING

There will be a cemetery working at Pleasant Ridge. All come and bring lunch, for it will take a day, on Thursday, before the third Sunday in July.

Elder J. A. Taylor will be back the third Sunday at 11 o'clock w. t., and also on Saturday before the third Sunday at 3 p. m. We wish to invite the members to be on hand. It is call time at Pleasant Ridge Church. We also invite the people of our church to come out.

G. M. T.

CAMPMEETING WILL BE HELD AT NEW BROKTON

The Alabama District Campmeeting at New Brockton, Ala., will begin Thursday night, July 8, and will continue through July 18.

Rev. R. C. Jones and wife will be the special workers during the meeting. The public is invited to attend.

Marvin Smith, Dist. Supt.

CEMETERY WORKING

There will be a cemetery working at Bethany Church on Saturday, July 17. Everybody interested in the cause come and bring tools to work with.

C. L. Helms.

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## OPA Sets Special Ceiling Prices For Wiregrass Counties

Housewives in five South-east Alabama counties—Coffee, Dale, Geneva, Houston and Shilton—last week began buying 285 general grocery commodities at dollars-and-cents prices fixed by the district OPA office in Montgomery.

The OPA's action, which brings to this area the recently-instituted community pricing program, is designed to simplify price regulations for retailers and at the same time make the consumer a partner in the enforcement of wartime price ceilings.

CANNED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES—B L u e stamps lettered N, P and Q. Up to the present date, 372 4-H boys and girls would have been sold as a light hog feeder.

Sixteen boys and girls have reported that they have already sold hogs and put up to feed out. The number of hogs sold was 35; the total weight, 7,023 pounds, and the money received for them was \$15.

Boys and girls reporting these sales were: Sam Dye, Coley Lowery, Mayes Dye, Quinton Helms, Wilson Mobley, Earl Helms, Milford Johnson, Preston Deal, Donald Baxley, Tom Dumas, Max Dumas, Carpenter, Grace Lee Barker, Billy Thornton, Hollis Parker and Enzor Johnson, Jr.

The project is under the general supervision of H. T. King, assistant farm agent.

PHYSICIAN SAYS WIFE COMMITTED SUICIDE

Bessemer, Ala., July 6.—Dr. J. Howard Blue, Bessemer physician charged with the murder of his wife at her home last May, testified today at his preliminary hearing that Mrs. Blue killed herself.

He said she had attempted to make him sign a suicide pact with her several weeks prior to the shooting. She had threatened to kill him.

Dr. Blue testified that he was awakened by his wife on the night of her death and saw her standing "seven or eight feet" from his bed with a shotgun in her hand.

He said two shots had been fired before he reached her, and a third was fired a moment later. The third shot, he said, was fatal.

The physician was seeking release on bond at the time of his arrest. Judge Frank Matthews, after hearing arguments of attorneys, the judge granted the physician bail in the amount of \$20,000, which he posted.

MR FLEMING'S FATHER DIED TUES. AFTERNOON

Friends of Mr. J. C. Fleming will deeply sympathize with him in the death of his father, Mr. H. G. Fleming, age 76, which occurred Tuesday afternoon at a Troy hospital after a short illness. Mr. Fleming was a well known farmer of Pike County and a member of the Shiloh Baptist Church.

He leaves a widow, Mrs. Gussie Foreman Fleming, and two sons: Sam Fleming, of Brundidge, and J. C. Fleming, of Elba. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock at Shiloh Church, with interment in the adjoining cemetery.

NOTICE OF SINGING

Mr. J. O. McKinney's singing school will conduct an all-day singing on July 11, 1943. Everyone is invited to attend.

Louise Pope.

Capt. J. Vaughan Hamm has returned to his army duty at Camp Claiborne, Ark., after a few days' visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lotue Hamm.

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